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INFORMATIONAL LETTER NO. 727

DATE: July 11, 2008

TO: Iowa Medicaid Participating Medical Supply Providers

ISSUED BY: Iowa Department of Human Services, Iowa Medicaid Enterprise

RE: Negative Pressure Wound Therapy (Wound Vac)

EFFECTIVE: July 1, 2008

This is to advise of a change in policy regarding billing and payment for procedure code E2402, negative pressure wound therapy electrical pump (wound vac). Wound vacs typically are approved on a monthly basis for only one month at a time. After the first month; however, the wound vac may only be determined medically necessary for significantly less than a full second month. The fee has, therefore, been changed from a monthly rate to a daily rate. The unit has been changed from one unit equals one month to one unit equals one day.

If you have any questions, please contact IME Provider Services, 1-800-338-7909, locally 515-725-1004 or by e-mail at imeproviderservices@dhs.state.ia.us